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Title : HETEROCYCLIC COMPOUNDS HAVING EFFECT OF
ACTIVATING NICOTINIC ACETYLCHOLINE ALFA4 BETA2
RECEPTOR

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REPLY

Sir:

In response to the Office action of December 3, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including a Declaration of Dr. Yoshihiro Tani is attached following page 13 of this paper.